



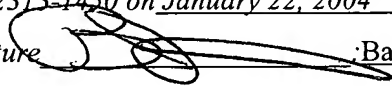
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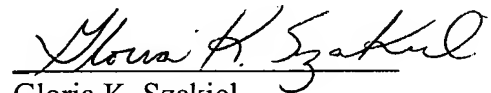
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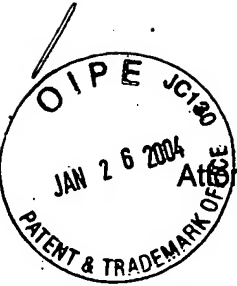
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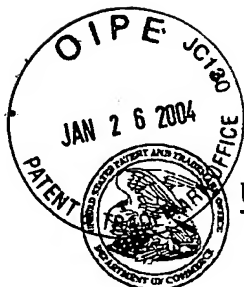
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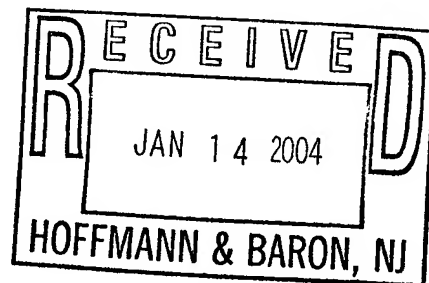
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Title



Small hepatocyte-rich colonies, process for preparing the colonies, process for maturing the colonies into liver tissue and method of estimating effects of drug by using matured small hepatocyte-rich colonies

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